REPORT FOR MARCH

Report Shows an Increase in Gill was \$266.39. Net License.

ARRESTS AND IPROSECUTIONS

Master Fish Warden Van Duson Reports a General Observance on the Part of the Columbia River Fishermen of the Spring Close Season.

Astoria, Oregon April 1. To the Honorable Board of Fish Commissioners, Salem, Ore,:

Gentlemen-The receipts of the office during the month have been as fol-

District No. 1, from account of licenses issued \$1087 50.

District No. 2, from account of licenses issued \$1151.50.

Close Season.

The spring close season on the Columbia river we are enabled to take better care of this year than ever before on account of the assistance rendered by the banks of Astoria and the canners on the lower river, who have provided the department the use of the daunch Elk for patrol service. This patrol boat was put into commission the first day of the season and the effect of the service rendered is clearly shown throughout the entire extent of the river. It will be retained and kept continuously on the river until the evening of the 15th of April.

With the assistance of this patrol boat Deputys Webster and Settem seized a gillnet consisting of about 270 fathoms of web on the lines that was being fished in the Columbia river on Friday evening, March 17, off Harringtons point by Anton Pedersen of Altoons. Wash.

The matter has been referred to District Attorney Harrison Allen, who will institute proceedings in the circuit court to confiscate and condemn the net and prosecute Mr. Pedersen for violating the statutes governing the matter of fishing during the close sea-

Also, on March 20 a setnet, consisting of about 14 fathoms of web on the lines, found set in front of and attached to John Hendrickson's wharf at Quincy, was seized, and the matter referred to District Attorney Allen.

Arrests and Prosecutions.

March 15 W. Peters and C. Osbourn of Oregon City were arrested by Water Bailiff Wm. W. Smith for killing salmon within 600 feet of the Willamette falls fishway. They were arraigned before Justice of the Peace Levy Stipp the same day and upon a plea of guitty were each fined \$5, under section 2063 of Bellinger & Cotton's codes, which they paid.

March.20 complaint was filed against Carl Johnson and J. J. Edgren by Water Balliff Smith for fishing for salmon in the Clackamas river during the close season time. They were tried before a jury in Justice Stipp's court, March 21, and the case ably prosecuted by Deputy District Attorney C. Schuebel: but on account of his not showing in his testimony that the Clackamas river the justice instructed the jury to find for the defendant and they accordingly brought in a verdict of not guilty.

March 31 Water Bailiffs Smith and found in the Willamette river just below the falls at Oregon City.

Hatchery Operations.

South Coos River Hatchery-In connection with the South Coos river hatchery we established a small receiving station this season on the north fork of the Coquille river and transported thereto a couple millions of the chinook eggs taken at the South Coos river hatchery, in order to assist in stocking the Coquille river with the Chinok variety of Salmon. During the the river. past three years we have always divided the chinook fry raised at this hatchery between the Coos and the Coquille rivers, but the transportation for the young salmon from the hatchery around by Marshfield and Myrtle point the A. & C. railroad, as it was partly to the Coquille was difficult and not always very successful, so upon looking into the matter for a substation where the eggs could be taken when in buy or sell with Pickernell and he has the eyed state we found that over the divide from the hatchery the north ed that the press of the city had given fork of the Coquille came within a few miles of the South Coos river, and by a good mountain trail the distance, was does not apply to The Astorian, for it only about six miles to where a temporary station could be established. This opportunity was taken advantage of and a substation established, and between January 8 and 11, 2,000,000

of the eggs in the eyed state were transported thereto, 1,960,000 of which were hatched and successfully raised and liberated into the said Coquille turing the month of March.

The expense connected therewith

With the eggs remaining at the hatchery 2,485,000 fry have been raised and liberated into Salmon creek and ributaries of Catching slough, both of which are tributaries of the South Coos river, and 1.582,280 fry are being fed and will be liberated into tributaries of the South Coos river during the subsequent month.

Siuslaw River Hatchery-The Siuslaw hatchery was closed down for the season March 15. The result of the season's work was to the effect that 451,000 chinook eggs were taken from 102 female salmon, and 346,000 silverside eggs were taken from 118 female silversides. From these eggs 435,162 chinook fry and 311,900 silverside fry were raised and turned out into the Lake creek fork of the Siuslaw river. The fry were all liberated in the immediate vicinity of the station in small matches every second or third day during the months of January, February and March,

The expense of operating the station during the seson was \$891.27.

Yaquina Hatchery-At the Yaquina hatchery we have liberated all of the chinook fry and more than half silverside fry raised during the past season. Of the chinook fry 1,000, 900 were hauled over mountains and turned Into Gopher creek which is tributary of the Alsea river and 1.407, 470 were turned into the Big Elk. fork of the Yaquina, a few mlles above

With the silverside fry 1,000,000 were hauled over the mountains to the Alsea, and 1,200,000 were turned into the Big Elk, leaving 1,815,725 on hand in the hatchery which will be liberated into the Yaquina and Big Elk rivers during the next few weeks.

In addition to the chinok and silverside eggs collected at this hatchery we are now collecting a batch of steelhead eggs, principally for the Lewis and Clark exposition, and have so far taken 744.800 with the prospects good for two or three hundred thousand

Ontario Salmon Hatchery-At the Ontario salmon hatchery we have liberated about 1,000,000 frey, after hav ing fed them for six weeks' time. The fry remaining, which consists of something over 3,000,000, are all being fed and will be liberated during the next month or six weeks, excepting therefrom a small batch of about 25,000 which will be kept for the purpose of marking and will be liberated during

Salmon River Hatchery-At the Salmon river, hatchery we have taken 293,000 steelhead eggs during the past month and have on hand in our retaining pools sufficient salmon for an additional 150,000 eggs. The chinook fry raised at this hatchery during this past season have all been turned out into the Salmon river, and during the next few weeks all the silverside fry will have been liberated.

The accounts against the department which I have approved and present herewith for payment amount to the sum of \$4114.21.

Very respectfully submitted, H. G. VANDUSEN, Master Fish Warden.

STEAMBOAT WAR.

is a tributary of the Willamette river, Pickernell's Freight Depot Pulled Into the River.

War has been declared between the Callender Navigation Company, who operate a line of boats to the various Rall seized two set nets that were suburban rivers and towns on the lower Columbia, and John Pickernell of the Shamrock, who operates an independent boat, and who has refused to sell out to the Callender company, although they state that they have offered to pay more than the boat is worth. Yesterday morning the steamer Melville of the Callender company went to the slip at the foot of Tweifth street and placed a rope around a small building used by Pickernell as a freight warehouse and pulled it into

> It is claimed that the building was owned by Capt. Jordan, one of the members of the Callender company, and that he had been ordered to remove it by Superintendent McGuire of on their right of way.

Charles H. Callender states that very effort has been used to either refused every overture. He also stathim the worst of it since his company had been organized. This certainly has always recognized the superior transportation facilities accorded the public by the Callender company.

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Ways and Means and Health and Police Committee to Meet.

WHO WILL STAND THE RAISE

The Common Council Must Provide for Revenues to Meet the Increasing Expenses of Maintaining the City Government Without Working Hardship.

The committee on ways and means, realth and police and city attorney will hold a conference today for the purpose of devising ways and means to increase the recynues of the city. Some plan will be outlined and presented to the common council at an adjourned meeting to be held Friday night. Several suggestions will be made. One is to raise the theater licenses, compelling all saloons who have plane or music to pay a license as a secondclass theater; others favor increasing the saloon license to \$600 a year, and others favor increasing the license on vaudeville shows to \$30 a month

A few favor an occupation tax, which it is estimated will bring in a revenue of about \$2500 a year. Chairman Burns of the ways and means committee, is opposed to the occupation tax, believing that the merchants are assessed too much already. It is pointed out that merchants pay county and state taxes, high rents and exhorbitant insurance. They are also compelled to buy tickets to every entertainment and show that comes along; contribute to building county roads and pay out considerable to bury paupers and for local

There is no doubt but that Mr. Burns is right in his opinion. The mer- bread than any flour on the market. chants are already overburdened, not only by every petty graft, but by exessive expenses, and the money eventually must come out of the consumer. Merchants cannot sell gods and compete with Portland if they are taxed more than their goods will stand. This would injure Astoria and be the means of sending a large number of people to Portland to trade. Merchants, as a rule believe in patronizing home industries and they often sell at very close margins in order to keep the trade at home.

As to the policy of increasing the saloon licenses, there is a wide diversity of sentiment. The saloons, too, are besieged with itinerant ticket sellers and usually contribute liberally to all public enterprises, and they believe they are paying the limit now.

They contribute about \$18,000 a year to the support of the city, which is more than is derived from the ten mill

The bill posters' license could be raised. The license on billiard tables and pool tables was repealed, because the city had too much money. They might stand a nominal license. It is a difficult problem and will require considerable engineering for the members of the committee to know just who to hit.

The proposition to raise the license on the vaudeville theaters is of doubtful propriety. They are paying nearly the same license charged in San Francisco, Portland and Seattle, with over 10 times the population. These theaters are a benefit to the city, as they afford a place of amusement, and neither one of them could afford to pay an Increased license.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS

To Hold Second Annual District Convention Here.

Today the second annual district convention for the Sixth Oregon district Knights of Pythas will convene at Astor hall. The domain of Oregon is divided into 12 districts; each district holds a convention in the spring when matters of local interest to the order are discussed, so that the delegates to the grand lodge may know the wants of each district. At these conventions contests are also held in one of the three ranks of knighthood and the team making the hest showing is selected to represent

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the district in the state convention.

The out-of-town lodges in Colum- often ends in a sad accident, To heal be received at the depot and escorted from an accident," writes Theodora a change and give your cook a rest? to the new K. of P. hall, where the meeting will be called to order by George Noland, who will introduce Herman Wise, who will deliver the address of welcome, which will be re- gist, sponded to by Judge Dillard of St. Helens. Then a short musical program will be had, after which the visitors will be treated to lunch by Astor Temple of Rathbone Sisters.

In the afternoon a business ses-

and their social at A. O U W hall in the evening, after which they will join their knightly brethren at the banquet board.

Another Big Night.

Two more crowded houses at the Star last night evinces the fact that the people of Atsoria appreciate firstclass talent. The program at the Star this week is certainly a drawing card and is highly enjoyed by the hundreds of the best and most representative citizens of Astoria. Every number is worth the pice of admission and as long as such high class performances obtain, the Star will continue to be the popular play house.

Marine News.

The four-masted schooner Luxon with a cargo of lumber for San Pedro crossed out yesterday afternoon,

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